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President of the Convocation of the Province
of *C A N T E R B U R Y*,
A N D O F T H E
Bishops, and Clergy of the same PROVINCE,
I N C O N V O C A T I O N A s s e m b l e d ;
P R E S E N T E D T O
H I S M A J E S T Y
At St. *J A M E S*'s,
On *Thursday* the Seventh Day of *April*, 1715.

Together with
His Majestie's
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ADDRESS

OF THE

ARCHBISHOP

President of the Convocation of the Province

of CANTERBURY

AND OF THE

Bishops and Clergy of the same Province

IN CONVOCATION ASSEMBLED

PRESENTED TO

HIS MAJESTY

GEORGE THE THIRD

On Thursday the 24th Day of April 1717

Together with

His Majesty's

MOST GRACIOUS

ANSWER

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To the Kings most Excellent Majesty,

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Arch-Bishop President of the Convocation of the Province of *Canterbury*, and of the Bishops, and Clergy of the same Province, in Convocation Assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,



Y^E Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Arch-Bishop, Bishops, and Clergy of the Province of *Canterbury*, in Convocation Assembled, having Offer'd our Sincerest Praises and Thanksgivings to Almighty God for Your Majesties Peaceable Accession to the Throne, do take the first Opportunity of Congratulating Your Majesty, and these Kingdoms, upon that most Signal Testimony of the Divine Favour and Goodness in Prospering those wise Provisions made by King *William*, and strengthened and improved by Her late Majesty Queen *Anne*, whose Memories will ever be most dear to us, for Securing to us the free Profession of our Holy Religion under a Legal Succession of Protestant Princes.

The Early Assurance which Your Majesty was Pleased to give of Your firm Resolution to Maintain the Church of *England* as by Law Established; and the more Publick Declaration which You have since been Pleased to make, That the Established Constitution in Church and State, shall be

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the Rule of Your Government, have been received with the utmost Satisfaction by Your Clergy: To whom also it affords a most comfortable Prospect, to see a Prince upon the Throne of *Great Britain*, upon whose known Courage, Constancy, and Zeal, the Protestant Cause in *Europe* hath so Just Ground to depend for Support and Protection.

And next to the Blessings which we enjoy and foresee in Your Majesties Reign, That which calls for further Acknowledgment to God, and further Congratulations to Your Majesty, and these Kingdoms, is the Enlargement of our Views of Safety and Happiness in a Numerous Issue Descended from You.

10 As we shall never cease to render our most hearty Thanks to God, the great Author of these Blessings, so we shall always think our selves indispensably obliged to pay all Dutiful Submission and Obedience to the happy Instrument of them, Your Majesty, His Vicegerent, and our Rightful and Lawful Sovereign, and to use our utmost Endeavours to make Your Reign Prosperous, and Your Government Easie.

And we solemnly Promise Your Majesty, not only to use our utmost Endeavours to Instil into Your Subjects a Conscientious Regard and Reverence to Your Sacred Person and Authority, but moreover (as becomes the Preachers of the Gospel of Peace) to be our selves the Patterns of Peace, and Quietness, and Order, among the People committed to our Care.

His MAJESTIES most Gracious Answer.

My Lords and the rest of the Clergy,

I Thank you for your very Dutiful and Loyal Address; And as I have great Confidence, that you will, according to the Principles of Our Holy Religion, Study to Promote Peace, and to make My Government Easie; so you may be Assured, that I will always Support and Defend the Church of England as by Law Established, and make it My particular Care to Encourage the Clergy.

F I N I S.

